

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )  
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COUNTY OF DORCHESTER )

RESOLUTION NO. 12- 06

WHEREAS, Judge Cranston Pinckney was born on August 30, 1922, in the Saint Mark Community of St. George to the late Thaddeus and Rebecca Pinckney; and

WHEREAS, Judge Pinckney graduated from Williams Memorial High School, and then enrolled in Claflin College, served in World War II for a three-year tour of duty, and returned to Claflin College in 1945 and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree. Judge Pinckney later went on to South Carolina State College where he earned a Master's Degree; and

WHEREAS, Judge Pinckney worked as an elementary school teacher and then a school principal until he retired in 1983. Judge Pinckney became the first African-American to serve as a Magistrate in upper Dorchester County in 1980. In 1984, he served as Title I Coordinator for Dorchester School District III; and

WHEREAS, Judge Pinckney was preceded in death by his wife of 60 years, Alice Rebecca Jamison Pinckney; his daughter, Claudia E. Pinckney Bowman; his brothers Sergeant Willie E. "Chant" Pinckney, Augustus Pinckney, Henry Pinckney; and his sisters Annie Lee Bryant, Thadduesh Pinckney, Rubey Vivian Pinckney Bradly, Sally Pinckney Murray Kelly, and Dorothy Pinckney Brothers. He is survived by his son Councilman Willie. R. Davis and his wife Joyce; his daughters Ansonia Pinckney and Minerva A. P. Smith and her husband Larry; two grandsons, Willie Bowman and Larry Smith, Jr.; four granddaughters, Kaneka S. Jackson (Douglas III), Sequois F. Smith, Sheaha'n V. Smith, and Jasmin Davis; four great-grandchildren, Deante Jackson, Launna Smith, Laila Smith, Larry Smith, III, and Michael Bowman; and

WHEREAS, Judge Pinckney was an active member of St. Mark United Methodist Church and served as the Lay Leader and a Caring Group Leader. He was a Certified Lay Speaker in the United Methodist Church, Lay Speaker in Emeritus, and the Director of Lay Speaking Ministries for the Walterboro District. He was a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Oakvilla Lodge #8, Senior Warden; Berkley Dorchester Economic Development Board; and the St. George branch of the N.A.A.C.P., 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. Judge Pinckney was one of the founding Trustees of the Shady Grove Campground, and also served as President of the Dorchester County Rest Home.

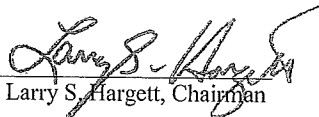
WHEREAS, Dorchester County Council wishes to recognize Judge Cranston Pinckney for his years of dedicated service to Dorchester County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that upon adoption of this Resolution, the original shall be presented to Mr. Willie R. Davis and a copy filed in the permanent records of Dorchester County, South Carolina.

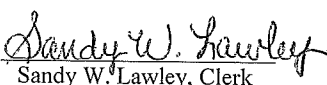
ADOPTED this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2012.

DORCHESTER COUNTY COUNCIL

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Larry S. Hargett, Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Sandy W. Lawley, Clerk